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SPECIFIC: "KEPESZ" (cover name), right-						:
hand man of CONDUCTOR						:
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SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

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1. The Jewish Agency man, known here under the name of "KEPESZ" is the right hand man and the main courier to Budapest for CONDUCTOR. According to his own declarations he is of Polish descent, and formerly (during this war) worked in some capacity as a penetration agent in the Hungarian State Police and in the Second Bureau of the Hungarian General Staff. He is an intimate friend of the present Hungarian Minister of Interior, RAGK, whom he helped to escape from jail during the war.

2. KEPESZ travels with another agent of CONDUCTOR to Budapest and back, in a civilian car and UNRRA uniform. He arrived in Vienna on 16 April with a certain amount of information for CONDUCTOR and having brought out the correspondence for the JOINT in Vienna from its offices in Hungary. The border being closed at the Austro-Hungarian frontier, he was lucky to be interrogated by a Jewish "Green-hat" (NKVD border troops), whom the semi-military US uniforms KEPESZ and his companion were wearing, impressed very much. This and the papers they were carrying with them allowed the men to cross the frontier.

3. KEPESZ noted that at the office of the NKVD border troops there were photographs of two men, called KORNEELDT and ROTH, who were in Austria, according to the Russian NCO, and to be arrested as soon as they tried to cross the border (probably agents for CONDUCTOR; but not yet identified by DD 110). It seems that ROTH had actually presented himself at the frontier post on 16 April, but had bought his way free into Hungary by handing over two bottles of liquor.

4. Physical description of KEPESZ: about 1m65; sparse blond hair brushed back with two bald spots above the temples; bluish eyes; thin long nose; discolored lips; emaciated face; wears glasses; speaks Jewish, fair English, Hebrew, Hungarian and Russian; walks generally with a stoop.